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GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES

1. THERE FOLLOWS THE TEXT OF - RESOLUTON ON THE US GSP PROPOSED
BY BOLIVIA, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, PERU AND VENEZUELA ADOPTED

APRIL 28 BY CONSENSUS BY THE VIII REGULAR MEETING OF THE SPECIAL
COMMITTEE FTM CONSULTATION AND NEGOTIATION, WITH THE US ABSTAINING.
THE RESOLUTION IS A COPY OF RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED OVER US
ABSTENTIONS AT THE LAST THREE OAS GENERL ASSEMBLIES (AG IN
SPANISH) AND PREVIOUS SCCN MEETINGS WITH THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE
OF PROTESTING THE OPEC EXCLUSIONARY PROVISION. IT SHOULD NOT
BE CONFUSED WITH A SECOND RESOLUTION ON GSP WHICH THE US SUPPORTED,
REPORTED SEPTEL.

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"HAVING SEEN: RESOLUTION AG/RES.199 (V/O/75), AG/RES.201
(V-O/75), AG/RES.231 (VI/76) AND AG/RES.285 (VII-O/77) OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AS WELL AS THE OTHER RESOLUTIONS OF VARIOUS ORGANS
OF THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM WITH RESPECT TO THE UNITED STATES
TRADE ACT OF 1974; AND

WHEREAS: DIFFERENT WORLD FORUMS, SUCH AS UNCTAD AND THE COMMITTEE

ON MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE, HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR CONCERN WITH THE
RESTRICTIONS OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 OF THE UNITED STATES.

VARIOUS ORGANS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM HAVE LIKEWISE
EXPRESSED THEIR CONCERN WITH THE COERCIVE AND DISCRIMINATORY
PROVISIONS OF SAID ACT, SUCH AS THOSE CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPHS
502 (A) (3), 502 (B) (2), 502 (B) (4), 502 (C) (4), 503 (B) (2),
503 (C) AND 504 (C) WHICH CONTRADICT THE BASIC COMMITMENTS OF
THE CHARTER OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, ESPECIALLY
ARTICLES 19, 34, 37, 40 AND 41 THEREOF;

IN APPLICATION OF SECTION 502 (B) (2) OF THE AFOREMENTIONED
)-2, ECUADOR AND VENEZUELA HAVE BEEN EXCLUDED FROM THE UNITED
STATES PREFERENTIAL SCHEME;

SUCH EXCLUSION IS CONTRARY TO THE SPIRIT OF THE DECLARATION OF
TOKYO AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER;

THE ORGANS OF THE SYSTEM HAVE DECLARED THAT THE AFOREMENTIONED
CLAUSES HAVE CAUSED DEEP DISTRESS IN THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM
AND DISTURB THE SPIRIT OF HEMISPHERE COOPERATION AND SOLIDARITY
FORESEEN IN THE CHARTER OF THE ORGANIZATION; AND

THUS FAR, THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THIS SITUATION, NOR
HAS ANY CONCRETE ACTION BEEN TAKEN TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM, IN
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SPITE OF THE STATEMENTS BY DIFFERENT SPOKESMEN IN THE UNITED
STATES,

RESOLVED:

1. TO REITERATE, ONCE MORE, ITS DEEP CONCERN AND DISCOURAGEMENT
WITH THE CONTINUATION IN THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 OF THE UNITED STATES
OF THE COERCIVE AND DISCRIMINATORY CLAUSES INDICATED IN THE
PREAMBLE OF THIS RESOLUTION, AND ESPECIALLY THE CLAUSE DIRECTLY
AFFECTING ECUADOR AND VENEZUELA;

2. TO ASK THE UNITED STATES TO URGENTLY ELIMINATE THE UNFAIR
PROVISIONS WHICH GIVE RISE TO SUCH DISCRIMINATION IN ORDER TO
AVOID FURTHER INJURY TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES; AND

3. TO ASK THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN
STATES TO EMPLOY HIS GOOD OFFICES WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
STATES IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THE PROCESS OF AMENDING THE TRADE
ACT OF 1974." END TEXT
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